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ELECTION WITH TRAVERSE

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated March 24, Applicant hereby elects to prosecute the invention identified by the examiner as Group I, namely claims 22 - 33, without prejudice to the filing of a divisional application directed to the nonelected claims.

However, the restriction requirement is traversed inasmuch as all the Groups relate to a single general inventive concept and share the same technical features.

Each of Claims 34, 45 and 47 are linked by the use of the electrolyte mixture according to main claim 22.